

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Education, Technology and Economic Development Council Committee 2007 Work Plan DRAFT</b></p>
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## Education

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**1) Facilitate partnering between all educational entities\* and the City.**

- Create an annually updated inventory of active partnering relationships between the City and all educational entities \*
- Facilitate internships for High School students with the Chamber of Commerce, City, Higher Education and Tempe Businesses
- Explore creating, with community partners, an Education Speakers Series
- Review progress of wi-fi in schools

\*all elementary and high schools, Maricopa Community Colleges and Arizona State University

**2) Facilitate development of programs to improve schools, including Communities In Schools programs and other information resources for parents.**

- Explore the potential of aiding in the creation of a Parent Education Resource Center with or through our community partners
- Develop recommended programs from the Mayor's Youth Advisory Commission Report
  - Drive Safely Awareness Campaign
  - Driver Education Programs for teens
  - Teaching teens to drive class for parents
  - Tobacco Abuse Awareness campaign
  - Internship programs

**3) Facilitate and develop services to provide life-long learning opportunities, including workforce development, drop out prevention, special education, literacy programs and visual and performing arts education.**

- Aid in the expansion drop out prevention programs such as JAG (Jobs for America's Graduates)
- Continue to promote opportunities for the IB (International Baccalaureate) Program for the high school districts and help promote the middle school program
- Facilitate discussion and possible creation of a cognition remediation program
- Explore ways in which the city can assist in improving middle school achievement
- Support and explore opportunities to expand arts participation for citizens of all ages

**4) Develop and provide City services through school facilities.**

- Aid in the promotion of art programs in the schools such as Art Masterpiece and Studio Artists
- Explore expanding tutoring programs for Kid Zone utilizing grant funding from sources such as NCLB (No Child Left Behind)

**5) Identify and facilitate resource sharing between all elementary and high schools, Arizona State University, Maricopa Community College District and the City.**

**6) Facilitate ASU's and Maricopa Community College District's participation in education improvement in all Tempe schools.**

- Help promote a Career /Education Fair event

**7) Identify and consolidate purchasing and maintenance programs between the City and educational agencies.**

- Facilitate collaborative purchasing with the City, Schools, University and Community Colleges' purchasing departments

**8) Identify and facilitate joint facilities development for school-resident use (e.g. North Tempe Multi-Generational Center) and joint transportation solutions.**

- Encourage mass transit use by school staff and students
- Promote Walk to School programs
- Investigate partnering opportunities for lighting ball fields

## **Technology/Economic Development**

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**9) Expansion of the use and availability of technological enhancements by City Government and Tempe residents.**

- Review and assess website operation
- Partner with schools and Tempe 11
- International Baccalaureate Program marketing tools
- Explore, create and implement an E-Resource center for best practices in education related to science and technology

**10) Facilitate, in conjunction with ASU, the development of high-technology, biotechnology and nanotechnology facilities within Tempe.**

- Create an annually updated inventory of efforts to support the high-technology, biotechnology and nanotechnology industries
- Facilitate City support for the growth of high-technology, biotechnology and nanotechnology industries in Tempe
- Explore appropriate opportunities to promote Tempe as the "Smart Place to Be"
- Examine avenues for expanding "wet-lab space" in Tempe

**11) Development, implementation and assessment of economic development approaches, projects and proposals.**

- Work to grow and diversify Tempe's technology workforce
- Facilitate business-friendly and efficient development process
- Partner with City and outside organizations (i.e. arts and cultural, K-12, sports, etc.) to develop science-based educational programs and facilities
- Work with community partners (e.g. Fulton School, Biodesign and Science Foundation Arizona ) to facilitate recruitment efforts
- Create marketing campaign for the "smart place to be" for technology and education

**12) Redevelopment and Development Services policy formation and implementation of council-approved projects.**

- Facilitate efficient and effective processing of business entitlements
- Use Technology solutions to facilitate communication between development agencies
- Pursue integration of development initiatives with city-wide GIS system
- Assist in expansion and growth of redevelopment initiatives including sustainability